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**ALABAMA FCCLA EARNS TOP AWARDS AT 2026
NATIONAL LEADERSHIP EVENT**

“FCCLA Preparing Students for Exceptional Career and Leadership Success”

Montgomery, Ala. – This summer, members of Alabama’s outstanding Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) student organization earned top awards at the 2026 National FCCLA Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C.



FCCLA is a national organization founded in 1945 for students participating in Family and Consumer Sciences programs at both the K-12 and collegiate level. Today more than 270,000 students in 49 states, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico are members of FCCLA.

Alabama Honors and Achievements

This year, Alabama had 301 registered attendees, with 151 students competing in the National STAR Event, the Skills Demonstration, Challenge Event, and Knowledge Bowl team contests.

Our state earned the following awards and national achievements:

- Alabama received a national award for its outstanding state membership increase. Alabama FCCLA now proudly has 10,795 active members, which is a 20 percent increase since last year (2025).
- Alabama’s Cleburne County High School FCCLA chapter officially made it through rigorous testing and preliminary rounds to become one of the only Top 16 Finalist teams, qualified to compete for an overall national chapter award.
- In FCCLA, members are awarded medals based on the score achieved. Gold medals are awarded to those who score 90-100, silver medals for those who score 70-89, and bronze medals are awarded to those who score 50-69. Alabama brought home 61 Gold medals, 58 Silver medals, and 19 Bronze medals.
- FCCLA also recognizes those who place top 10 overall in each event and award trophies for the top 3 in each event.

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Event Name			Place
Chapter in Review Display	Level 2	Cold Springs High School	4
Chapter in Review Display	Level 2	Cleburne County High School	7
Chapter in Review Display	Level 3	Cold Springs High School	9
Chapter in Review Portfolio	Level 2	Horseshoe Bend High School	6
Chapter Service Project Display	Level 3	Alexandria High School FCCLA	9
Digital Stories for Change	Level 3	Elba High School	8
Early Childhood Education	Level 3	Limestone CTC Educators in Training	5
Entrepreneurship	Level 1	Florence Middle School	7
Entrepreneurship	Level 2	Arab High School	6
Entrepreneurship	Level 3	Stanhope Elmore High School	3
Event Management	Level 3	Daphne High School	6
Focus on Children	Level 1	Saraland Middle School	6
Food Innovations	Level 2	Albertville High School	2
Hospitality, Tourism, & Recreation	Level 2	Oakman High School	2
Hospitality, Tourism, & Recreation	Level 2	Central High School of Florence	6
Instructional Video Design	Level 3	Florence Education and Training	10
Interpersonal Communications	Level 2	Arab High School	2
Leadership	Level 2	Daphne High School	7
National Programs in Action	Level 1	Saraland Middle School	9
Nutrition and Wellness	Level 1	Saraland Middle School	3
Personal Finance	Level 1	Florence Middle School	2
Promote and Publicize FCCLA	Level 1	Hubbertville High School	6
Promote and Publicize FCCLA	Level 2	Cleburne County High School	3
Public Policy Advocate	Level 3	Winston County Career Academy	6
RED Talks on Education	Level 3	Florence Education and Training	2
Repurpose and Redesign	Level 1	Saraland Middle School FCCLA	3
Repurpose and Redesign	Level 2	Winston County Career Academy	6
Say Yes to FCS Education	Level 2	Fairview High School	1
Sports Nutrition	Level 3	Mortimer Jordan High School	6
Teach or Train	Level 3	Deshler High School	3
Teaching Strategies	Level 3	Elba High School	3

- National Adviser Awards: Not only do students have the opportunity to earn national recognition, but so do our advisers.
 - *National Adviser Academy: Engage* - Briar Fowler, Appalachian High School, Manuel Lora, Tanner High School, Elizabeth Mixon, East Limestone High School, Lisa Worley, Central High School Coosa County
 - *National Adviser Academy: Excel* - Kyla Slaton, Florence High School
 - *Spirit of Advising*: Brandi Cantrell, Arab High School
 - *Adviser Educator*: Stephanie Blair, Cold Springs High School

Learn more about the remarkable work that Alabama FCCLA is doing to inspire today's students by contacting State Adviser Theresa Long at theresa.long@alsde.edu or [Alabama FCCLA](http://AlabamaFCCLA.org).